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I Wanna Go Back • 2 Peter 2 • Message 4

BACK TO CHURCH • BECAUSE I LOVE YOU • AND TO PROTECT MY EGO • BUT FAITHFULNESS REGARDLESS

We can't go forward if we have a bad relationship to our past.

NOSTALGIA? REGRET? — HISTORY — WE DON'T LIKE HISTORY / WE LIKE NEW!

God's **ANCIENT** Word is **STILL** what I **NEED**.

2 PETER 1:19 • 2 PETER 3:1-2

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READ THE WHOLE THING

Do not follow false teachers!

They are **ATTRACTIVE** but also **DESTRUCTIVE**

and God will **JUDGE THEM**.

ATTRACTIVE • 3, 13, 18, 19

DESTRUCTIVE • 2, 3, 20 == JUDGMENT 13, 17, 21 == DOES THIS APPLY TO ME?

Why do we fall for false teaching?

2 PETER 3:1-2

- We have **SPIRITUAL FOMO**.
- We have **SPIRITUAL PRIDE**.
- We have given up on **SPIRITUAL MATURITY**.
ILL: I KNOW FEWER FACTS NOW THAN RIGHT OUT OF SEMINARY, BUT I'M A BETTER PERSON

What is the false teaching?

HINTS 1, 10, 18-19

False teaching is always something we **WANT** to **HEAR** and something that **ELEVATES US** instead of Jesus.

ILL: EXAMPLE OF FALSE TEACHING • FALSE TEACHERS WILL BE JUDGED!

TAKE IT HOME

Do you know anyone who fits Peter's description?

THEY MIGHT BE A FALSE TEACHER

secrecy¹, denying Jesus¹, shameful ways², greed³, exploitation³, deception³, despising authority¹⁰, bold and arrogant¹⁰, blaspheme in ignorance¹², carousing in daylight¹³, adultery¹⁴, like Balaam¹⁵, spring without water¹⁷, boastful¹⁸, enticing¹⁸, promises freedom¹⁹, dog returning to vomit²², failing to love neighbor.

If you know someone who claims to support the body of Christ but who bears even a few of these traits, that person is a false teacher, bringing the truth of Jesus into disrepute, and blackest darkness is reserved for them.



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